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# Identical letters dated 4 May 2009 from the Permanent Representative of Kenya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of the outcome document of the subregional workshop on the preparation of responses to the United Nations Security Council Committees dealing with counter-terrorism, held in Nairobi from 11 to 13 November 2008 (see annex). The workshop, which was hosted by the Government of the Republic of Kenya, was organized by the Terrorism Prevention Branch of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, in cooperation with the experts of the Committees.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 97, 98 and 99, and of the Security Council.

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## Annex to the letter dated 4 May 2009 from the Permanent Representative of Kenya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council

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## Subregional workshop on the preparation of responses to the United Nations Security Council Committees dealing with counter-terrorism

**Nairobi, 11-13 November 2008**

**Outcome document**

We, the delegations of Algeria, Burundi, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Libya, Morocco, Rwanda, Somalia, Sudan and Uganda;

Gathered together to share and discuss our efforts, and share our experiences and challenges in dealing with terrorism at the Sub-Regional Workshop held in Nairobi, Kenya, from 11 to 13 November 2008, on the preparation of responses to the Security Council Committees dealing with counter-terrorism ("the Committees");

And in the presence of the United Nations, represented by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), the Monitoring Team of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities (the Monitoring Team) and the Expert Group of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004) concerning the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and non-State actors (the 1540 Expert Group), as well as the following observers: INTERPOL and the African Centre for the Study and Research on Terrorism;

***Expressing*** our appreciation of the efforts undertaken by UNODC, in particular, its Terrorism Prevention Branch and the UNODC Regional Office for Eastern Africa, for the collective action undertaken in the organization of this Workshop, as well as by CTED, the Monitoring Team and the 1540 Expert Group in implementing a common strategy to assist us to submit our responses to each of the Committees as a step towards the effective implementation of the relevant Security Council resolutions relating to terrorism and the relevant provisions of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy (General Assembly resolution 60/288);

***Reiterating*** the strong condemnation of terrorism in all its forms and manifestations committed by whomever, wherever and for whatever purposes, as it constitutes one of the most serious threats to international peace and security, in accordance with the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations;

***Reaffirming*** that our international cooperation and any measures we take to prevent and combat terrorism must comply with the objectives of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy and all our obligations under international law, and adopt such measures in accordance with international law, in particular human rights law, refugee law and international humanitarian law;

*Welcoming* the adoption by the General Assembly on 8 September 2006 of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy;

1. As a step in the global fight against terrorism, agree to continue the dialogue between our respective States and the Committees, including through cooperation with CTED, the Monitoring Team and the 1540 Expert Group who support these Committees;

2. Reiterate the necessity for all United Nations Member States to:

(a) Submit any outstanding responses to each of the Committees as soon as possible, as a step towards the implementation of the relevant Security Council resolutions relating to terrorism;

(b) Become parties to the relevant universal instruments relating to terrorism, without delay, in accordance with the relevant Security Council and General Assembly resolutions;

(c) Enact, where appropriate, the necessary domestic legislation for the full incorporation of the provisions of the universal instruments relating to terrorism, and the relevant Security Council and General Assembly resolutions;

3. Reiterate the necessity for UNODC to continue to provide interested States with the relevant technical assistance required in view of:

(a) Facilitating the elaboration of our responses in cooperation with the Committees and their expert groups;

(b) Promoting and encouraging ratification/accession and implementation of the relevant universal instruments relating to terrorism, and to strengthen international cooperation mechanisms in criminal matters related to terrorism, including through national capacity-building, in accordance with the resolution 62/71 of 6 December 2007 of the General Assembly;

4. Recognize the unique security situation of Somalia and its impact on the region and reiterate a firm commitment to build State institutional capacity in obtaining relevant technical assistance to play its role in implementing relevant Security Council and General Assembly resolutions relating to terrorism;

5. Invite the Government of Kenya to bring this Outcome Document to the attention of relevant international institutions.

Adopted at Nairobi on 13 November 2008